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Katyn Forest File

10 June 1952

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Legislative Counsel

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1. Reference is made to your memorandum of 6 June 1952, subject as above, to Legislative Counsel.

2. I have discussed this matter with Mr. Wisner, who has brought it to the Director's attention, and as a result I have informed Mr. Mitchell, Counsel to the Committee investigating the Katyn Forest Massacre that --

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a. [REDACTED] had recently emerged from behind the Iron Curtain;

b. he is prepared to testify as to his knowledge of the Katyn Massacre;

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c. it would be difficult for us to bring [REDACTED] to this country for at least a month, but that it would be possible to bring him here later in the year; and

25X1C d. we would secure the best possible deposition from [REDACTED] if the Committee desired one.

3. The Committee does not plan to hear any more witnesses for several weeks and may not hold any hearings until September. Meanwhile it wishes to know whether [REDACTED] would be willing to testify in public or whether publicity concerning his name would harm relatives or friends still behind the Iron Curtain. I would like to have you ascertain that fact for me.

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